REMARKS

Claim 1 has been amended to incorporate the limitations of claims 7, which has been cancelled, thus rendering moot the rejection of claims 1-3 and 8-12 as obvious from Christensen in view of Williams. Turning to the rejection of claim 7 as obvious from Christensen in view of Williams and further in view of Sawyer, to the extent of this rejection is applicable to claim 1, the deficiencies of the Williams/Christensen combination are discussed in Amendment C, the contents of which are incorporated by reference. Simply reversing the two references as the Examiner has now done, i.e. making Christensen the primary reference, does not overcome the incompatibilities of Christensen and Williams as discussed in Amendment C. Notwithstanding, so as to advance prosecution, Applicant has amended claim 1 to incorporate the limitations of claim 7. Even assuming arguendo Sawyer is as the Examiner states, Sawyer still fails to overcome the deficiencies and incompatibilities of the Christensen/Williams combination to achieve or render obvious claim 1.

New claims 13-20 have been added to further scope the invention. New claim 13 is similar to previous claim 1, but adds the feature but adds the feature that one end of the piezoelectric element is attached to said sidewall of said casing while the other end of the piezoelectric element is floating relative to the sidewall of the casing. No combination of the applied art teaches or suggests the combination of elements as required by claim 13 and the several claims dependent thereon.

Having dealt with all the objections raised by the Examiner, the application is believed to be in order for allowance.

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